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1. The Yugoslavs are surprised that the Soviets announced the desire to visit Tito at this time, although the invitation for a meeting was outstanding for some time. 25X1
2. The Yugoslavs are not aware of the specific points which the Soviets will discuss. [redacted] the Yugoslavs will not allow themselves to become engaged in any ideological discussion of communism or socialism with the Soviet delegation. Neither will they agree to neutralization of Yugoslav territory or give up their present established ties with the West. 25X1
3. [redacted] the Soviet delegation may bring up two points: one concerns Tito's growing influence and popularity among certain Asiatic Socialist parties [redacted] and secondly, using this in an attempt to work out a program of cooperation with these parties. [redacted] Tito would not agree to this. There is also the possibility that the Soviets are interested in attempting to establish contact, through Tito, with western Socialist groups inasmuch as Tito has in the past year held conferences with many [redacted] other Socialist leaders. 25X1
4. [redacted] the Yugoslav Foreign Office honestly believes that since the death of Stalin a bona fide change in attitude on the part of the Soviets is discernable. The Yugoslavs believe that a period of political relaxation has set in and see therein the possibility 25X1

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of holding discussions with the Soviets, studying the problem of coexistence more closely, and bringing about a decrease in present world tension.

5. [Redacted]

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[Redacted] the Yugoslav Foreign Office has many officials whose transition to Western political thinking is progressing positively but slowly. [Redacted]

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Comment: The foregoing was, in all probability, planted by the Yugoslavs in the hope that it would reach interested United States quarters.

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